

Madeline Island Ambulance Service Report

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March has also been a quiet month for runs. We have had no runs this month so far. We are using the van style ambulance now because of muddy driveways. We will probably switch to the large ambulance as primary vehicle in the middle of April.

We held our regular monthly meeting and we will be having a training meeting next week. Laura Krist from Lifequest will be coming for our regular May meeting to talk about updates and changes to the billing system. She will do general training for all of us and go over the new Medicare IDC10 coding system with us. We have a new billing manager at Lifequest but Laura remains our training and technical support staff person. We are collecting data to research how our ambulance collections have done over the years while we have been using Lifequest.

We will be having our Spring Refresher for the first two weekends in April. This renews each EMTS license for another two years. Michael Carlin will join our refresher.

We did go to the island school and talk about EMS to the kids. They were able to go inside the ambulance and try some of the equipment. Jay and Sarah did a great job.

We have set up an office in the Winter Transportation building now. Each officer has keys to only the conference room drawer. It will be used for general filing, officers meetings, interviews, and private meetings. We will continue to train and do our regular meetings at the Emergency Services Building where our equipment and ambulances are.

The guidebook is mostly complete. Sarah is working on new update bi-laws for the service. We will proof read and make changes to these documents and approve them at our next meeting. The officers met with Lisa Potswald about Lifequest issues and general questions and answers for her and us as well.

We have ordered new jackets for each member of the service. It has been a while since we have updated them. They are an important identification tool and protect our EMTs in the weather and with reflective materials at night.

Respectfully Submitted, Cynthia Dalzell, Madeline Island Service Director

